be achieved through a process of social mobilisation, capacity building, sustained income generation for better quality of life at community level. It is envisaged that the existing Self-Help Groups of women in 20 mandals will be strengthened and 1600 more SHGs of women developed and strengthened so as to reach out to 70 per cent of women below the poverty line.

(b) A comprehensive self-employment programme called Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) for the families below poverty line is being implemented with effect from 1.4.1999 in all the states of the country including the state of Andhra Pradesh. Under this programme 40 per cent of the benefits are earmaked for women. The total allocation (Cente+State) for Andhra Pradesh during 1999-2000 under SGSY is Rs. 6935.51 lakhs.

Further, the National Maternity Benefit Scheme under the National Security Assistance Programme is being implemented in Andhra Pradesh for the benefit of women in rural areas belonging to Below Poverty Line families. The allocation to Andhra Pradesh for the year 1999-2000 is Rs. 1590.19 lakhs.

Poverty alleviation programmes

1499. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the poverty alleviation programmes under implementation;

(b) the targets set under the SC programmes and achievements made during the last three years; and

(c) the details of measures taken by Government to make these programmes more effective?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA): (a) The major poverty alleviation programmes being implemented by this Ministry in rural areas are Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojana (JGSY), Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS), Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) and Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY).

(b) Targets set for SCs under different poverty alleviaiton programmes alongwith achievements during the last three years are as under:—

Programme	Target for SC to be covered under the programme	Achievements (% age of SCs to total beneficiaries)		
		1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
1. Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP)	50%	33.70	33.81	33.1
2. Training of Rural Youth for Self Employment (TRYSEM)	40%	41.88*	37.38	Breakup of SC not Available
3. Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas (DWCRA)	50%	NA	3.21	8.23
4. Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY)	22.5%	37.84	35.41	35.86
5. Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS)	$	32.78	32.16	34.99
6. Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY)	60%	51.82	54.91	49.05
7. Million Wells Scheme	60%	40.39	34.88	37.32

Note: Separate targets for SCs are not fixed. It include ST also.

* *includes STs also.*

$ EAS is open for all willing to work as manual labourer and are above 18 years of age as such no targets are fixed exclusively for SC.

(c) In order to make the implementation of poverty alleviation programmes more effective, a comprehensive system of monitoring has been developed with the help of monitoring mechanism such as Concurrent Evaluation, Periodical reports/returns, Area Officers Scheme, State and Distict level Vigilance Committee, Conference of State Secretaries for rural Development and Project Directors, Review by various Committees, etc.